# Migrant Futures: Decolonizing Speculation in Financial Times

In an era of heightened global mobility, the lives of migrants and refugees are increasingly shaped by financial speculation and migration policies. The intersection of these forces has created a complex and often precarious landscape for those seeking to make a new life in a foreign land.

Migrant futures are often framed in terms of risk and opportunity. For some, migration represents a chance to escape poverty, conflict, or persecution and to build a better life for themselves and their families. For others, it is a desperate attempt to flee danger or to find a place where they can live with dignity. However, the realities of migration are often far from the promises that are made.



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Migrants and refugees often face a range of challenges, including discrimination, exploitation, and violence. They may be denied access to

basic services, such as healthcare and education, and they may be subjected to arbitrary detention and deportation. The financial costs of migration can also be prohibitively high, leaving migrants and refugees vulnerable to debt and exploitation.

The financialization of migration has further exacerbated these challenges. In recent years, there has been a growing trend towards the securitization of migration, with governments and private companies investing in technologies and policies that aim to control and restrict the movement of people. This has led to the creation of a lucrative market for migrant labor, with migrants and refugees being seen as commodities to be bought and sold.

The decolonization of speculation is a necessary step towards creating a more just and equitable world for migrants and refugees. This means challenging the underlying structural inequalities that perpetuate the exploitation and marginalization of migrants and refugees, and it means developing new approaches to migration that are based on human rights and solidarity.

One important step towards decolonizing speculation is to recognize the historical and ongoing role of colonialism in shaping global migration patterns. Colonialism has created a system of global inequality that has forced millions of people to leave their homes in search of a better life. This system continues to operate today, with Western countries continuing to benefit from the exploitation of migrants and refugees.

Another important step towards decolonizing speculation is to challenge the dominant narratives that portray migrants and refugees as a threat to

national security. These narratives are often used to justify restrictive migration policies that make it more difficult for migrants and refugees to seek safety and opportunity.

Decolonizing speculation also means developing new approaches to migration that are based on human rights and solidarity. This includes supporting the rights of migrants and refugees to move freely and to live with dignity, and it means working to create a world where everyone has the opportunity to build a better future.

The decolonization of speculation is a complex and challenging task, but it is essential for creating a more just and equitable world for migrants and refugees. By challenging the underlying structural inequalities that perpetuate the exploitation and marginalization of migrants and refugees, and by developing new approaches to migration that are based on human rights and solidarity, we can create a world where everyone has the opportunity to build a better future.

The future of migration is uncertain, but it is clear that the current system is not working. The financialization of migration has exacerbated the challenges faced by migrants and refugees, and it has created a lucrative market for migrant labor. This system is unsustainable and it is unjust. It is time for a decolonial approach to migration, one that is based on human rights and solidarity.

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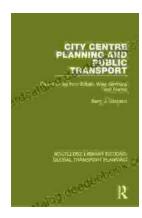
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